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STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER DEBORAH TAYLOR TATE

Today, I was honored to have Chairman Kevin J. Martin administer the oath of office to start my term as a Commissioner of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). During my time on the FCC, I will work to be a voice for families and consumers. I will endeavor to bring a spirit of consensus and bi-partisanship to the FCC; a willingness to build on what Chairman Martin and my fellow commissioners have begun. I pledge my steadfast commitment to work closely with Congress, the talented staff of the FCC, and all interested stakeholders to tackle the complicated issues facing the United States in this new digital age.